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September 20, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

33 September 20, 2016

LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**AID-TO-CITIES  
INTERSECTIONS ON CARSON STREET AT  
CLARETTA AVENUE AND VERNE AVENUE  
INSTALLATION OF PROTECTIVE PERMISSIVE SIGNAL HEADS  
TO IMPROVE LEFT-TURN PHASING AND  
ADOPT RESOLUTION 3974 FOR ALLOCATION OF AID-TO-CITIES FUNDS  
CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)  
(4 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

This action is to approve the disbursement of Aid-to-Cities funds in the amount of \$12,334 to the City of Hawaiian Gardens for a portion of the cost of installation of protective permissive signal heads to improve left-turn phasing at the intersections on Carson Street at Claretta Avenue and Verne Avenue. Adopt Resolution 3974 approving the County's allocation of the City's Aid-to-Cities funds in the amount of \$12,334. The project will be administered by the City.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the project to install protective permissive signal heads to improve left-turn phasing at the intersections on Carson Street at Claretta Avenue and Verne Avenue is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

2. Approve the project and find that the installation of protective permissive signal heads to improve left-turn phasing at the intersections on Carson Street at Claretta Avenue and Verne Avenue is of general County interest and that County aid shall be provided to the City of Hawaiian Gardens to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Highway Users Tax in the amount of \$12,334.

3. Adopt Resolution 3974 to approve the County's allocation of the City of Hawaiian Gardens Aid-to-Cities funds in the amount of \$12,334.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to provide the City with its remaining unclaimed Aid-to-Cities (ATC) funds in the amount of \$12,334 for a portion of the cost of the installation of protective permissive signal heads at the intersections on Carson Street at Claretta Avenue and Verne Avenue.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). By installing the protective permissive signal heads, the residents of the City and nearby unincorporated County communities who travel on Carson Street will benefit with enhanced traffic safety and improved quality of life.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The project is entirely within the City. A portion of the City's project cost will be financed by County ATC funds in the amount of \$12,334 which is allocated to the City and on account with the County. The County's anticipated expenses for the ATC program are budgeted annually in the Road Fund Budget administered by the Department of Public Works.

The \$12,334 necessary to finance this project is available in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The enclosed resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

ATC is authorized by Sections 1680-1684 and 1686 of the California Streets and Highways Code. Sections 1680-1684 provide that the Board of Supervisors may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements are of general County interest and that County aid shall be extended therefore. Section 1686 allows the Board, by a resolution adopted by four-fifths of its members, to determine that County aid shall be extended for the improvement or maintenance of streets within a city or extending along or across the boundary of a city.

The County's ATC program is governed by policies adopted by the Board on September 28, 1982, Item 69; and on March 20, 1990, Item 40. The 1982 policy provided for a portion of the County's gasoline tax revenues to be apportioned annually to each city within Los Angeles County in accordance with a prescribed formula. A 1990 Board action revised the policy for the Fiscal Year 1989-90 ATC funds allocations which directed the funds to be allocated to cities for the following purposes: (1) Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization projects; (2) Transportation Systems Management and Congestion Management projects that improved regional traffic mobility; and (3) design, acquisition of right of way, and construction of city streets on the County Highway Plan that are of general County interest; and regional significance provided that the regional priorities in 1 and 2 are met to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works.

County ATC apportionments were discontinued in Fiscal Year 1990-91. However, some cities have unclaimed ATC allocations on account with the County from preceding years. The City has cooperated in the implementation of regional Traffic Signal Synchronization, Transportation Systems Management, and Congestion Management projects. Carson Street is on the County Highway Plan and is of general County interest and regional significance. Therefore, we have determined that the proposed use of ATC funds meets all of the Board's previously adopted criteria for use of ATC funds. The requested amount of \$12,334 represents all of the City's remaining ATC funds.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1(x) Subsection 4 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines previously adopted by the Board. This exemption provides for modification of existing traffic signal systems.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Modification and improvement of signal operations and infrastructure of the existing traffic signals on Carson Street are needed and are of general County interest. This project will enhance the quality of life for motorists and pedestrians who travel on this street.

At the conclusion of the project, the City will continue to maintain and operate the project at the City's expense. There is no impact on current County services.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and a copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER  
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)  
County Counsel (Rosa Linda Cruz)  
Executive Office

**RESOLUTION 3974**  
**ALLOCATION OF CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS**  
**AID-TO-CITIES FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Hawaiian Gardens desires to install protective permissive signal heads to improve left-turn phasing at the intersections of Carson Street with Claretta Avenue and Verne Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City has a credit of Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$12,334.00) allocated to it under the County Aid-to-Cities funds from Fiscal Year 1989-90; and

WHEREAS, the proposed modification of traffic signals are of general County interest; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors intends to allocate City of Hawaiian Gardens Aid-to-Cities funds in the amount of Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$12,334.00) toward the aforementioned project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, County aid shall be provided, therefore, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Highway Users Tax, in the amount of Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$12,334.00), to be made available from the Road Fund Budget for this purpose and that this amount be paid to the City of Hawaiian Gardens for said purpose, and Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$12,334.00) of City of Hawaiian Gardens Aid-to-Cities funds is hereby allocated to the aforementioned project provided that immediately upon completion of the project if any portion of said sum shall not have been so used and expended for the work specified, the sum or sums so remaining unexpended shall be returned to the Director of Public Works immediately and deposited in the Road Fund Budget.

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The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessments and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.



LORI GLASGOW  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

By

*Danya Ruiz*  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY C. WICKHAM  
County Counsel

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Deputy

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